

NOACA'S 208 PLAN POLICY TO CONSIDER DEVELOPMENT IMPACT OF PROPOSED WASTEWATER FPA MODIFICATIONS

Policy Committee
October 11, 2019



ACTION REQUESTED

No action is being requested. This item is for information and discussion.

PREVIOUS ACTION

Discussion item at the April and July (2019) Policy Committee meetings and the June and September Water Quality Subcommittee meetings.



FPA MODIFICATIONS

FPA Boundary and Prescription Modifications

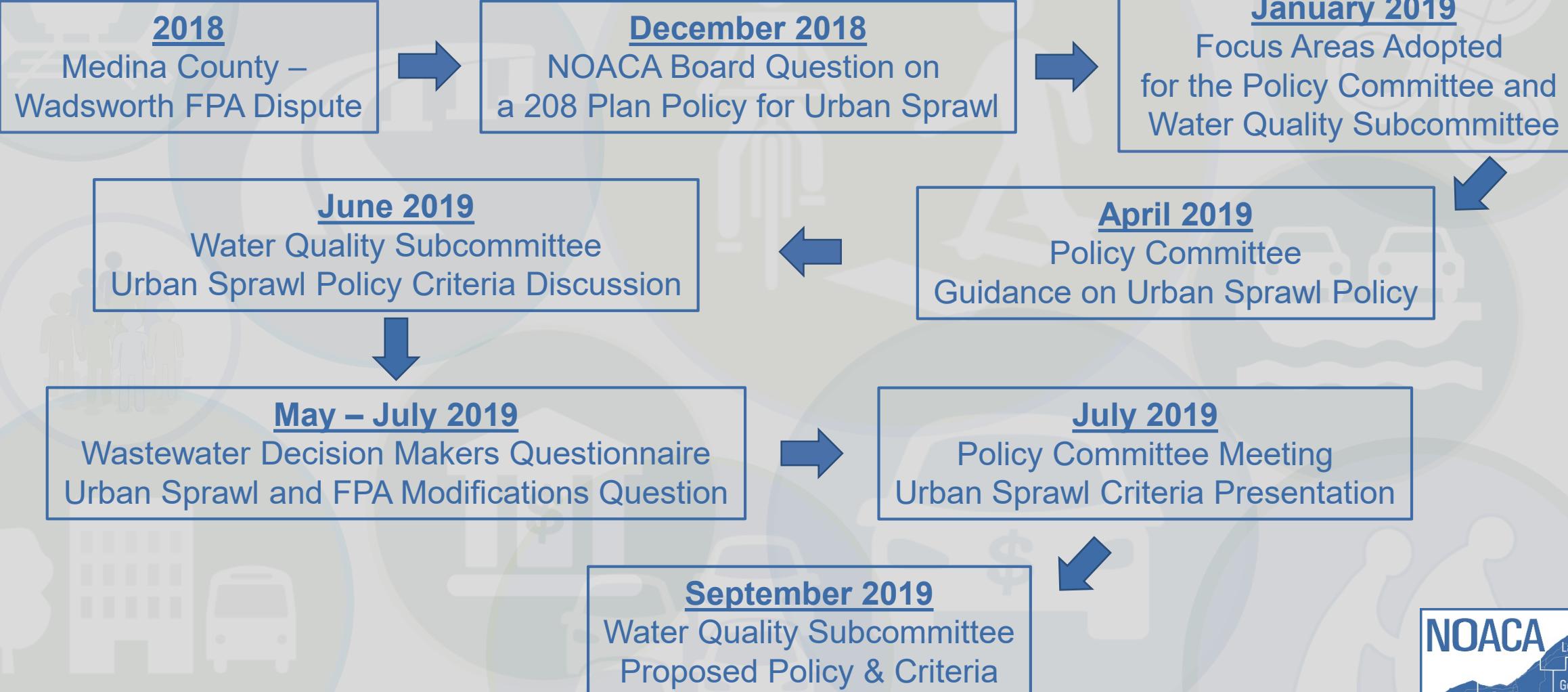
- Must be approved by NOACA's Board of Directors
- 53 FPA approved modifications since 2009
- 42% for new development

Current FPA Modification Policies

- Seven (7) policies (Chapter 4)
- Ensure consistency with 208 Plan principles
- Provide opportunity for comment from affected jurisdictions within the proposed modification area
- Guide NOACA staff, committees and Board of Directors
- Development impacts not explicitly considered



DEVELOPMENT IMPACT POLICY TIMELINE



DEVELOPMENT IMPACT POLICY FEEDBACK

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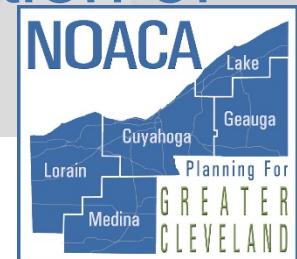
- Development impacts should be considered
- May or may not influence final decision
- NOACA's Board determines relevance

Water Quality Subcommittee

- Policy needs to be acceptable to Ohio EPA/USEPA
- Policy needs to be legally defensible

Wastewater Decision Makers Questionnaire

- Majority of respondents did not object to the consideration of development impacts for FPA modification reviews



DRAFT DEVELOPMENT IMPACT POLICY

“The NOACA Board may consider regional development impacts if the FPA Boundary modification is primarily for new residential or commercial developments.”

Staff Recommendations

- Include in the new 208 Plan
- Incorporate into Policy 4-2: Modifications of Facility Planning Area Boundaries



DEVELOPMENT IMPACT POLICY (CONT.)

Development Impact Questions/Criteria

- Modification for new construction?
- Modification within a U.S. Census Bureau urban area?
- Number of new homes/structures?
- New sanitary sewer infrastructure to be constructed?
- New sewer infrastructure part of an asset management plan?
- Adequate conveyance and treatment capacity?
- Transportation system capacity impacts? Staff Recommendation
- Add to the FPA Modification Request Packet and Guidelines in new 208 Plan



NEXT STEPS

- Refine policy language and criteria based on Policy Committee comments;
- Present final policy language and criteria at the January 2020 Policy Committee meetings; and
- Incorporate policy into the new 208 Plan



DISCUSSION

Policy Committee Input Request:

- Questions or concerns with the policy language
- Other needed information from DMAs
- Other comments





NOACA will **STRENGTHEN** regional cohesion, **PRESERVE** existing infrastructure, and **BUILD** a sustainable multimodal transportation system to **SUPPORT** economic development and **ENHANCE** quality of life in Northeast Ohio.

